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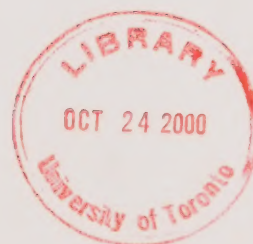
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Meeting No. 1

Tuesday, December 14, 1999

The Sub-Committee on International Financial Reporting Guidelines and Standards for the Public Sector of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts met *in camera* at 3:32 p.m. this day, in Room 209, West Block.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Steve Mahoney, Beth Phinney, John Richardson, John Williams.

Other Member present: Derrek Konrad for Philip Mayfield.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Jean Dupuis; Brian O'Neal, Research Officers.

The Sub-Committee proceeded to consider its future business.

The Chair explained the Sub-Committee's objective and the role for parliamentarians to play in the fight against bribery and corruption in the Public Sector.

It was agreed, unanimously, - That the Chair send a letter to the Honourable Lloyd Axworthy, Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Trade with a view to supporting international initiatives by governments to improve accountability and reduce corruption around the world.

At 3:55 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Jacques Lahaie

Clerk of the Sub-Committee

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Meeting No. 2

Wednesday, February 23, 2000

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Consideration of matters relating to international financial guidelines and standards for the public sector

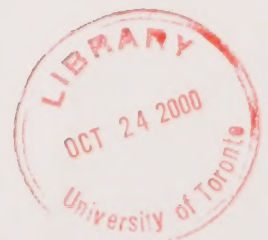
WITNESSES:

Canadian Comprehensive Auditing Foundation:

Jean-Pierre Boisclair, President.

Institute on Governance:

Timothy G. Plumptre, Director.



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Meeting No. 2

Wednesday, February 23, 2000

The Sub-Committee on International Financial Reporting Guidelines and Standards for the Public Sector of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts met at 3:42 p.m. this day, in Room 536, Wellington Building.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Mac Harb and John Williams.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Jean Dupuis and Brian O'Neal, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Canadian Comprehensive Auditing Foundation: Jean-Pierre Boisclair, President. *From the Institute on Governance:* Timothy Plumptre, Director.

Pursuant to its mandate dated Tuesday, December 7, 1999, the Sub-Committee proceeded to the consideration of matters relating to international financial guidelines and standards for the public sector.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 4:31 p.m., the Sub-Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Bernard G. Fournier
Clerk of the Sub-Committee

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Meeting No. 3

Wednesday, March 1st, 2000

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Consideration of matters relating to the business of the Sub-Committee



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Meeting No. 3

Wednesday, March 1st, 2000

The Sub-Committee on International Financial Reporting Guidelines and Standards for the Public Sector of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts met at 3:32 p.m. this day, in Room 308, West Block.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Mac Harb, Beth Phinney, John Richardson, Benoît Sauvageau and John Williams.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Jean Dupuis and Brian O'Neal, Research Officers.

Pursuant to its mandate dated Tuesday, December 7, 1999, the Sub-Committee proceeded to the consideration of matters relating to the business of the Sub-Committee.

On motion of Beth Phinney, it was agreed, - That the evidence heard by members of the Sub-Committee on February 23, 2000, from Jean- Pierre Boisclair, President of the Canadian Comprehensive Auditing Foundation, and Tim Plumptre, Director of the Institute on Governance, be deemed to have been received by the Sub-Committee and that it be published as meeting no. 2.

The Sub-Committee proceeded to discuss the proposed travel to Washington D.C. in May of 2000.

At 4:26 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 4

Thursday, March 2, 2000

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Examination of matters relating to the future business and travel of the Sub-Committee



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Meeting No. 4

Thursday, March 2, 2000

The Sub-Committee on International Financial Reporting Guidelines and Standards for the Public Sector of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts met at 5:19 p.m. this day, in Room 209, West Block.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Mac Harb, Steve Mahoney, John Richardson, Benoît Sauvageau and John Williams.

Other Member present: Hec Clouthier.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Jean Dupuis and Brian O'Neal, Research Officers.

The Sub-Committee resumed consideration of matters relating to the future business and travel of the Sub-Committee.

Mac Harb moved, - That the Sub-Committee seek the authority to travel to Washington D.C. from May 7 to 10, 2000 in relation to its study on international financial reporting guidelines and standards for the public sector and that the necessary staff accompany the Sub-Committee.

And the question being put on the motion, it was agreed to, on division.

At 5:26 p.m., the Sub-Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 5

Thursday, March 16, 2000

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Examination of matters relating to the future business and travel of the Sub-Committee



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Meeting No. 5

Thursday, March 16, 2000

The Sub-Committee on International Financial Reporting Guidelines and Standards for the Public Sector of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts met at 3:24 p.m. this day, in Room 308, West Block, the Chair, John Williams, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Mac Harb, Beth Phinney, John Richardson, Benoît Sauvageau and John Williams.

Acting Member present: Jean Augustine for Mac Harb.

Other Member present: John Finlay.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Jean Dupuis and Brian O'Neal, Research Officers.

The Sub-Committee proceeded to the consideration of matters relating to the business of the Sub-Committee.

John Richardson moved, - That the *Minutes of Proceedings* of the Sub-Committee meeting of Thursday, March 2, 2000, be revised to indicate that "the motion of Mac Harb was agreed to, on the following recorded division: YEAS: Mac Harb; Steve Mahoney; John Richardson -- 3; NAYS: Benoît Sauvageau -- 1".

After debate, the question being put on the motion of John Richardson, it was, by a show of hands, agreed to: YEAS: 3; NAYS: 1.

Benoît Sauvageau moved, - That the motion adopted March 2 which read as follows: "That the Sub-Committee seek the authority to travel to Washington, D.C. from May 7 to 10, 2000, in relation to its study on international financial reporting guidelines and standards for the public sector and that the necessary staff accompany the Sub-Committee" be rescinded.

And debate arising thereon;

Mac Harb moved, - That the question be now put.

The Chair ruled that the motion of Mac Harb was out of order as the previous question cannot be moved in any committee.

And debate resumed on the motion of Benoît Sauvageau.

At 4:07 p.m., the Sub-Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Bernard G. Fournier
Clerk of the Sub-Committee

